

SANCTIONS ON RUSSIAN ENERGY IMPORTS

(Mr. KELLER asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. KELLER. Madam Speaker, the Biden administration imposed sanctions on Russian energy imports. Biden finally listened to Republicans, but it means nothing if he is unwilling to take action to restore American energy independence today.

The alternative is President Biden begging countries like Venezuela, Saudi Arabia, and Iran for energy, in which case, all we have done is trade one tyrant for another. It is clear what we must do to lower energy costs: open the Keystone XL pipeline, encourage expedited permits, allow leasing on Federal lands.

It is unclear whether this administration is willing to put aside its Green New Deal pipe dream to make it happen. It is absolutely shameful that the President would rather make deals with our adversaries than build the Keystone XL pipeline or remove burdensome regulations on America's energy producers.

Under every single circumstance, Biden has chosen foreign energy over American energy, adversarial nations over the American people. That is the definition of America last. It is time to put America first.

HONORING THE LIFE OF RENNY CUSHING

(Mr. PAPPAS asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. PAPPAS. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor the life and legacy of a true New Hampshire original, a dedicated public servant, and a passionate advocate for the causes that he held dear.

Renny Cushing, the Democratic leader of the New Hampshire House of Representatives, passed away on Monday after a courageous battle with cancer.

I served with Renny in the State House and I saw firsthand his compassion, empathy, and good faith that he brought to every issue and every debate. He was guided by a strong moral compass and a sense of liberty and justice, right and wrong.

His loss leaves a hole in New Hampshire that can never be filled, and we should all take inspiration from the legacy that he leaves behind. We will miss our friend. New Hampshire will miss the tireless spirit of a man who spent his life in the arena striving to make people's lives better and striving to make hope and history rhyme.

My thoughts are with his family, his three daughters, and all who knew him and were touched by his example.

RECOGNIZING THE NAEVE FAMILY BEEF PROCESSING PLANT

(Mrs. MILLER-MEEKS asked and was given permission to address the

House for 1 minute and to revise and extend her remarks.)

Mrs. MILLER-MEEKS. Madam Speaker, I rise today to share the story of a family in my district that is working to make sure their friends and neighbors know where and how their beef is raised.

Last Saturday the Naeve family of Camanche, a sixth-generation farming family, officially opened the new Naeve Family Beef processing plant. For generations the Naeve family has raised cattle and grown crops in eastern Iowa, with three generations currently working the farm in Camanche.

For years, smaller meat packing operations like the Naeve's have faced an uphill battle against the bigger meat packers in the industry. Last year, I introduced the Meat Packing Special Investigators Act to tackle anti-competitive practices in the meat and poultry industries that threaten the American food supply and U.S. national security.

Right now, the four big meat packers purchase and process 85 percent of the total U.S. beef production. My legislation would give the Department of Agriculture the tools it needs to crack down on bad actors and push for fair competition within the marketplace.

Overconcentration in the meat packing industry is costing Iowa farmers money left and right while the average American pays more at the store.

I will continue to fight for family operations like the Naeves and wish them the best of luck as they begin this new journey and improvise to create a better marketplace.

CONGRATULATING THE GIRL SCOUTS OF SAN JACINTO COUNCIL

(Ms. GARCIA of Texas asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend her remarks.)

Ms. GARCIA of Texas. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate the Girl Scouts of San Jacinto Council on their century of service to the girls of southeast Texas. One hundred years ago, the Girl Scouts of San Jacinto Council was founded in Texas. Today, the council has grown immensely to 54,000 Girl Scout members. That is a lot of girls who are being empowered to lead and serve.

You see, Girl Scouts are change-makers who become bold and strong leaders. In fact, the 117th Congress boasts a record number of women members, and more than 55 percent of us are Girl Scout alums.

While I never really was a Girl Scout, I served on their board for many years in Houston, and I know firsthand no matter what these Girl Scouts choose to do in life, they will be well-prepared.

I can't wait to see what the next 100 years will bring to the Girl Scouts of San Jacinto Council.

HONORING THE ENTERPRISE HIGH SCHOOL MEN'S BASKETBALL TEAM

(Mr. MOORE of Alabama asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. MOORE of Alabama. Mr. Speaker, it is my great privilege to honor Enterprise High School men's basketball team on winning their first-ever Class 7A championship.

As a Wildcat alum, I could not be prouder of these men for their dedication and performance. The players who sweated through countless practices, the coaches who led them, and the faithful Wildcat fans who traveled to support the team should all be proud of this remarkable achievement.

Coach Rhett Harrelson, a friend and fellow Enterprise native, and his staff deserve great credit for leading our young men to this championship. Our fans have our sincere appreciation for ensuring that the home games were rowdy and our team always had familiar faces screaming at the away games.

As a fellow Wildcat, I want to honor this amazing team for all they have accomplished, and I look forward to watching this program continue to grow.

RECOGNIZING THE LOCAL UKRAINIAN-AMERICAN COMMUNITY

(Ms. WILD asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend her remarks.)

Ms. WILD. Madam Speaker, I recently attended a gathering of the local Ukrainian-American community in my district. I heard so many heart-breaking accounts. One man, Joe Galazin, told me about his wife, Elena, their two kids, 9-year-old Olesya and 16-year-old Dinillo.

The children were expecting to start school soon in the same Pennsylvania public schools where my two children went many years ago. Instead, they got trapped in Kharkiv. Unable to get out before the bombs began raining down, they found refuge in a bomb shelter. My office is in communication with the family—they are in a holding pattern in Lviv, uncertain of how or when they will be able to make the increasingly dangerous trip to the Polish border.

These children will never be able to unsee the devastation they witnessed. They know that relatives who had to stay behind may lose their lives. Why? Because of this completely unprovoked, illegal invasion, and these air strikes on civilians who simply want to live in peace.

The injustice is overwhelming. We must redouble our efforts to support the Ukrainian people in this fight for their sovereignty.